The Great General Assembly of 2025: Unveiling an Occult Agenda and Biblical Prophecy

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Abstract

This article delves into the predictions surrounding the 2025 Great General Assembly of the Hierarchy, as articulated by Alice A. Bailey, a prominent figure in New Age thought. It outlines the concept that this assembly may represent a pivotal moment for humanity, potentially influencing global events and spiritual evolution. The author examines the implications of this assembly in relation to biblical prophecy and the potential emergence of a New World Religion. The article cautions readers about the possible deceptive nature of these spiritual agendas and emphasizes the need for discernment among believers as they navigate these complex themes. Ultimately, it encourages a focus on the teachings of Jesus Christ as the true path to understanding salvation and divine truth.

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Introduction:

An extraordinary prediction circulates within New Age esoteric circles: in the year 2025, a secret "Great General Assembly of the Hierarchy" will convene, purportedly marking a turning point for humanity's future. According to the writings of Alice A. Bailey – an influential occultist whose books, allegedly telepathically dictated by a Tibetan spirit guide Djwhal Khul, laid the foundation of much New Age thought – the **25th year of each century** is when the hidden **Spiritual Hierarchy** meets in conclave to advance a *divine Plan* for evolution (McKechnie, 2024; Hopper, 2025). Past conclaves in **1425, 1725, 1825, and 1925** are said to have nudged world history in new directions. But what exactly is slated for **2025**, and why does it matter to us today? Could an occult gathering really influence global events – and if so, **how should Christians respond**?

In this article, we'll investigate Bailey's prediction of a 2025 Hierarchical assembly – examining its timing, agenda, and participants – and review what New Age sources claim resulted from previous century gatherings. We'll explore how those secret councils supposedly corresponded with major historical shifts like the Renaissance, Enlightenment, industrial revolution, and movements toward global governance and occult spirituality. Then, we'll analyze how the **2025 meeting's goals align with today's trends**: rising globalism, interfaith unity efforts, and technocratic visions for society. Finally, viewing these developments from a **biblical prophetic perspective**, we'll consider the eschatological implications. Are these "ascended masters" truly benevolent guides, or could they be agents of deception setting the stage for the Antichrist's kingdom? **What does Scripture say** about such secret spiritual agendas at work, and how can believers exercise discernment and readiness as the Rapture draws near? Let's delve in.

Alice Bailey's Hierarchy and the 2025 Assembly

Alice Bailey taught that a **Spiritual Hierarchy of enlightened beings** – sometimes called the *Ascended Masters* or *Great White Brotherhood* – guides humanity's evolution behind the scenes (McKechnie, 2020; Morya Federation, 2025; Lucis Trust, 2025). This Hierarchy, she said, consists of advanced spiritual entities (many having once been human) who work on *"inner spiritual planes"* to carry out the supposed *Plan of God* on earth (McKechnie, 2020). They are organized in ranks (Masters, initiates, disciples) and headed by a being called **Sanat Kumara** or the *"Lord of the World"*. The **Christ**, identified as the *"World Teacher"* or *"Lord Maitreya,"* presides over a major division of the Hierarchy, while the Buddha stands alongside in recognition of the Christ's divine task. Other key figures include the Tibetan Master Djwhal Khul (Bailey's alleged spiritual guide), the Manu (head of the first great hierarchical group), and Masters like Morya and Jupiter, each assigned specific roles in implementing the divine Plan. While this Hierarchy remains hidden from ordinary view, Bailey claimed it periodically meets in a grand council to assess progress and impart new energies for the coming era (McKechnie, 2024).

According to Bailey's *The Externalisation of the Hierarchy* (published 1957), these high adepts meet in a *"General Assembly of the Hierarchy"* once every hundred years, precisely in the **25th year of each century**. The most recent was held in 1925, and the next, which she qualified as "Great" General Assembly, is scheduled for 2025. Bailey wrote that **during the years leading up to 2025 ("the Stage of the Forerunner")**, the Hierarchy would be actively

preparing for a planned event called the *Externalization of the Hierarchy* – essentially, the emergence of these hidden masters into public work. *"During the years intervening between now and then [2025] very great changes will be seen... and at the great General Assembly of the Hierarchy – held as usual every century – in 2025 the date in all probability will be set for the first stage of the externalisation of the Hierarchy,"* Djwhal Khul wrote through Bailey(pp281). In other words, the 2025 conclave is expected to **decide when and how the Hierarchy will step forward into human visibility**, paving the way for the reappearance of the World Teacher (the New Age "Christ" - NOT Christ of Nazaret) in the flesh.

When and where will this Assembly occur? New Age researchers point to the **Wesak Festival in May 2025** as the likely time. Wesak (or Vesak) is the annual full moon in Taurus celebrated in esoteric tradition as a spiritually charged time, commemorating the Buddha's enlightenment. Followers believe that at Wesak, heightened spiritual energy allows greater interaction between the Hierarchy and humanity. In 2025, the Wesak full moon falls on **May 12, 2025**, and many expect the Hierarchy's conclave to coincide with that date (see our previous article). In fact, Alice Bailey indicated that these gatherings occur in the 25th year of each century, with the last meeting taking place in *May 1925*. Following this pattern, she implied the next centennial gathering would be in *May 2025* at the Taurus full moon. The Lucis Trust, Bailey's organization, has already scheduled numerous events throughout 2025, including the Wesak Festival and an Arcane School Conference in New York in May, along with regular Full Moon Meditation Meetings in New York, London, and Geneva (See here: Lucis Trust, 2025).

The location is not a public venue but rather a secret spiritual locale. Theosophical lore speaks of a hidden valley in the Himalayas where masters gather at Wesak, and of **Shamballa**, a mystical center (sometimes thought to be in the Gobi Desert on etheric planes) where the Lord of the World resides (Hopper, 2025). It's conceivable that the 2025 assembly is believed to convene on the inner planes at Shamballa or a similar spiritual stronghold – a kind of occult "high command." Intriguingly, Bailey's text even uses the term *"conclave"* (Latin *conclavis*, "locked room") – a word typically reserved for secret meetings of Catholic cardinals to elect a pope. This choice of terminology raises questions: *Why would occultists adopt language echoing a papal election?* Is it a deliberate *parody* of traditional religious authority? The implication is that the Hierarchy sees its spiritual governance as parallel (or superior) to the churches. Isn't it surprising that both conclaves are expected to take place in the same month in 2025? Such a rare occurrence raises questions about whether this could truly be coincidental.

Who are the likely participants? Bailey's writings indicate that *all members of the Hierarchy* will participate at least on the inner levels. This includes dozens of Masters of Wisdom – figures known in Theosophy by names or pseudonyms like Morya, Kuthumi, Djwhal Khul (the purported author of Bailey's books), and the Master Jesus (said to be the regenerated spirit of Jesus of Nazareth distinct from the Christ office), among others. The **"Christ" of the Hierarchy** – which Bailey's followers identify not as Jesus Christ but as the coming World Teacher, sometimes called **Maitreya** – would presumably preside or play a key role (McKechnie, 2024). In Bailey's theology, "the Christ" is an office currently held by Master Djwhal Khul's superior, who will eventually manifest visibly as the World Teacher for the New Age. The **Lord of the World (Sanat Kumara)** at Shamballa is also involved by

sending forth the divine energy of *will* that guides the meeting's purpose (Hopper, 2025). In effect, this is a gathering of the planet's alleged spiritual illuminati – ***"Masters, initiates, world disciples, disciples and aspirants"*** all aligning in shared purpose. No human political leaders are *"invited"* to this occult assembly; rather, the outcomes decided in the conclave are believed to filter down into the minds of world servers and influential people over subsequent decades (McKechnie, 2024). It's a **closed spiritual strategy session**, if you will, whose agenda will later manifest in world affairs.

And what is on that agenda for 2025? In broad terms, Bailey indicated the meeting will *"consider the needs"* of humanity and all life on earth, make an *"assessment of evolutionary progress,"* and address any *"crisis points"* or blockages in the Plan's unfolding. Crucially, as noted in Alice Baily's text, they are expected to **set the timetable for the first stage of the Hierarchy's externalization** – that is, decide *when* certain masters will begin to openly work in the physical world and *when* their "Christ" will reappear to inaugurate the New Age. New Age writers anticipate that if humanity is deemed *"ready,"* the Hierarchy may move rapidly after 2025 to reveal themselves and introduce a new spiritual teaching for the Aquarian age (McKechnie,2024). If humanity is lagging, the Masters might delay or adjust the plan. In Bailey's words, the 2025 conclave will be *"preparatory in nature, testing in its methods, and intended to be revelatory in its techniques and results"*, with the date likely set then for externalisation to begin. In other words, 2025 is seen as a **decisive milestone**: the Hierarchy will finalize how and when their long-awaited New Age program will visibly materialize on Earth.

Five Hundred Years of "Guidance"? Past Hierarchical Conclaves and Their Outcomes

Bailey's followers assert that each centennial conclave of the Hierarchy has tangibly influenced the course of history – not immediately in 1425 or 1725 themselves, but in the subsequent decades as the spiritual energies released *"work out"* in human civilization. A New Age blog, *Spiritual Perspectives*, explains that the Masters' gatherings serve to ***"mobilize energies"*** and set plans which then gradually shape world events over generations. Looking back, they claim we can discern the results of these secret councils:

- **1425:** The conclave of 1425 is credited with seeding ideas that eventually gave rise to the **Renaissance and the modern world's fusion of cultures**. About 150 years after 1425 (around the late 1500s), effects began to manifest. Notably, the **printing press** was invented (circa 1440) and literacy spread, "expanding human intelligence" and the faculty of critical thought. As knowledge flowed more freely, people were increasingly able to question old dogmas. Additionally, upheavals in the 15th–16th centuries (wars, explorations, migrations) led to a *"dispersion"* of peoples beyond traditional boundaries. This era saw Europeans crossing oceans, the mixing of civilizations, and the **sharing of diverse cultures and ideas worldwide**. In esoteric interpretation, the Hierarchy's influence after 1425 fostered a trend toward *global interconnectedness* – the first stirrings of a more unified "world soul" beyond provincial identities. Indeed, the Renaissance (15th–16th century) and Age of Exploration began unifying the world in trade, knowledge, and cultural exchange in unprecedented ways.

- **1725:** The next centennial council allegedly stimulated both **cultural flourishing and the impulse toward human liberty and science**. The 18th and 19th centuries that followed saw an explosion of **art, music, and literature**, as well as the **Enlightenment** ideals of reason and individual rights. Spiritual Perspectives suggests the "culture was stimulated, producing the Victorian age, as was the growing urge towards freedom and scientific development" as outcomes of the 1725 conclave. Indeed, by the 1800s (Victorian era), there was a remarkable richness of classical music and arts (think of composers like Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven who were active soon after, in the later 1700s and early 1800s). There was also a rising clamor for political freedom – the American and French Revolutions at the century's end shook monarchic systems – and rapid advances in scientific understanding (from Newton's legacy to the industrial inventions). The idea here is that the Masters "determined upon an effort" in 1725 to accelerate human mental and cultural development, catalyzing the Enlightenment and the great social transformations that followed.

- **1825:** The Hierarchy's meeting in 1825 is said to have precipitated the **ideological revolutions and industrial transformation** of the mid-19th century. Bailey's writings tie the ***"growth of ideologies in politics and religion"*** and the emergence of the **Industrial Age** as effects of the 1825 spiritual impulse. Consider what unfolded in the decades after 1825: new political philosophies and mass movements arose – **Marxist socialism** and class struggle (Marx was born 1818 and wrote *The Communist Manifesto* in 1848), modern **liberal democracy** movements, as well as religious ferment (the 1830s-40s saw new sects and cults like Mormonism, Millerites/Adventists, and modern **spiritualism** in 1848). At the same time, the **Industrial Revolution** surged ahead: railroads, steam power, mechanized factories, and the consequent social upheavals of urbanization and labor reform. All these can be seen as humanity transitioning into a new era of complexity. The esoteric view is that the Masters introduced energies that fomented *"ideologies in politics and religion, and... the development of the industrial age which had a tremendous impact on labor and daily lives"*. The world was being prepared, through sometimes chaotic change, for a more integrated and interdependent civilization (though not without growing pains).

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previously released only during ancient turning points. This powerful impulse, Bailey said, had a dual effect: it *ended an old order through conflict* yet opened the door to a new one. In fact, the final outcome of the 1925 influx was grim: Bailey wrote that it led to the ***"tremendous changes"*** of the global crisis that shortly followed. We can recognize this in the **Second World War** – the "final phase of the World War" as Spiritual Perspectives delicately calls it – which broke out within 15 years of 1925. The **release of atomic power** at the end of WWII (1945) is also counted as a direct result (for good or ill) of that Shamballa will-force. And yet, from the ashes of war came the **establishment of the United Nations in 1945** and the end of old-style colonial empires – steps toward a new global order that the Hierarchy viewed favorably (McKechnie, 2024). Perhaps most notably from an occult standpoint, 1925's spiritual impulse saw the ***"appearance of the new group of world servers"***. This *New Group of World Servers* is described as a *"subjective yet worldwide group of souls"* who, aligned with Hierarchical intent, work for world betterment and unity beyond outer differences. In other words, since the late 1920s, a growing network of spiritually attuned workers in all fields – politics, education, religion, science, goodwill initiatives – has been active, consciously or unconsciously carrying out the Hierarchy's Plan. Bailey saw this as a major leap in humanity's spiritual evolution: humanity beginning to **assume collective responsibility** for its future, guided from within by those who respond to the Plan.

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From the New Age perspective, these outcomes are framed very positively – as the Hierarchy's benevolent guidance spurring human progress. For instance, the end of WWII, although horrifically destructive, is spun as a necessary purging that enabled a new international order and the spread of human rights and self-determination (decolonization). The creation of the United Nations is hailed as a direct fruit of Hierarchical influence, laying groundwork for eventual global governance based on *"right human relations"*. Even the **invention of nuclear power** is seen as a *"mixed blessing"* resultant from Shamballa energy: it ended the war and offers potential for progress, but also carries grave dangers. Notably, Bailey taught that the influx of the will-to-power also **provoked a dark reaction** – energizing dictators and totalitarians as an unintended side-effect. In her view, the rise of brutal authoritarian regimes in the 1930s–40s (fascism, Nazism, Stalinism) was the distortion of spiritual will by those with selfish intent. This too, however, would ultimately serve as a lesson for humanity in overcoming evil and valuing freedom.

To the critical observer, these claims raise eyebrows. Is it mere coincidence that major leaps in knowledge, liberty, and global unity happened roughly in these 100-year intervals – or are occultists retroactively crediting themselves for what were, in fact, human-driven historical processes (and, Christians would say, the providence of God)? New Age disciples like those at *Spiritual Perspectives* admit there is *"no tangible way to prove"* that an "august group of Beings" is orchestrating events behind the scenes. Yet they argue the **accelerating pace of change since the 15th century** is too dramatic to explain by human ability alone. They marvel that humanity's creativity and global connectivity since the Renaissance far outstrips the previous millennia, suggesting *"some powerful intelligent forces at work behind the scenes"* guiding us toward a long-term vision. In their view, the past 500 years of rapid progress – from feudal kingdoms to a globally linked civilization on the brink of a new age – confirms that the Hierarchy is real and actively implementing a **Plan of God** for human evolution. What is this Plan ultimately? Bailey's writings speak of ***"right human relations," global unity, and spiritual awakening*** – essentially, humanity maturing into a higher consciousness (sometimes called the "fifth kingdom") under the wise guidance of the Hierarchy. Each conclave pushes the world closer to that goal.

The 2025 Conclave's Vision: Externalization, a "New World Religion," and Global Transformation

All this brings us to **2025**, which Bailey's followers regard as perhaps the most momentous conclave since the very start of this cycle in 1425. What do New Age sources expect

to come out of the Great Assembly of the Hierarchy in 2025? In a word: the launching of the **New Age proper**, the long-awaited transition into a new era of spiritual civilization.

1. Scheduling the Externalization and Christ's Reappearance: The top item on the 2025 agenda is, by all accounts, to determine the *exact timetable for the Externalization of the Hierarchy* and the *Reappearance of the Christ*. As noted, Bailey said "in all probability" the date for the first stage of externalization will be set at this meeting. That means the Masters will decide when they will begin to *publicly emerge* from the shadows. For decades, Bailey's groups (such as Lucis Trust and World Goodwill) have been preparing the public to accept the idea of enlightened masters guiding world affairs. After 2025, we may see increased claims of **encounters with "ascended masters"**, more channeling of their teachings, or even some **individuals stepping forward openly as representatives of the Hierarchy**. The ultimate figure to externalize, of course, is "the Christ" – the New Age messianic leader. Bailey taught that the Christ (whom Christians would identify as a false Christ) will reappear when humanity is ready to be taught a new revelation. The 2025 conclave will assess whether humanity is prepared, and if so, they might **set in motion the countdown** to the Christ's appearance. *"How humanity responds… will have some bearing on the timing of the reappearance of the Christ,"* writes *Spiritual Perspectives*, *"When humanity demonstrates readiness… the Christ will return to bring the next stage of initiatory teaching."*. In other words, if by the late 2020s or 2030s we respond well to the energies released in 2025 – showing enough goodwill, unity, and "spiritual receptivity" – the Hierarchy could green-light their World Teacher to make his entrance. This new teaching he will bring is hinted to concern the **"Will-to-Good"**, a powerful creative force, but it can only be introduced once humanity has "sufficient purity of motive" to use it rightly. The **Aquarian Age** is beginning (by some astrological calculations, the Age of Aquarius dawns in the 2020s), and the hope is that 2025's decisions will usher in **"new patterns of living"** and *"a civilization and culture utterly different from anything hitherto known."*. It is an ambitious vision of a spiritual and social renaissance – essentially the formal *birth of the New Age*.

2. Evaluating Humanity's Readiness – Crisis and Opportunity: The Hierarchy will be scrutinizing current world conditions closely to decide how to proceed. Are we on track toward unity and higher consciousness, or still mired in separatism? The *Spiritual Perspectives* writers posed a series of questions that likely mirror the Hierarchy's concerns going into 2025: How are we handling **climate change and environmental threats**? Can we resolve ongoing **wars** and uphold people's right to self-determination, or will tyranny spread? What do the pivotal **elections in 2024** (when nearly half the world's population voted in various national elections) signal about the state of democracy and human values? Will technology and **AI** be harnessed for human good, or become tools of exploitation? Can we bridge the gaping **wealth inequality** and eliminate extreme poverty? These pragmatic questions show that the occult plan isn't just mystical—it has very concrete social implications. The Masters will "deliberate on a number of issues regarding Humanity's readiness for its next evolutionary change in consciousness, and how well it has responded thus far to the Will of Shamballa and Hierarchy". In short, 2025 is seen as a time of **judgment** on humanity's progress: *Have we learned the lessons of the last 100 years? Are we ready for the next leap?* If not, the Hierarchy may have to adjust the Plan (perhaps delay externalization or take stronger action to avert catastrophe). If yes, we could move rapidly into what they call *"the Era*

of the Forerunner" becoming *"the Era of the Externalising Ones."*

One key concept Bailey emphasized is that **spiritual evolution often triggers crisis and conflict as old forms break down** – and that is by design. The 2025 assembly occurs at a time when the world is indeed in crisis on multiple fronts: geopolitical tension, cultural polarization, technological upheaval. From the esoteric view, such *"points of crisis"* are a necessary prelude to breakthroughs – they create a *"point of tension"* that eventually leads to a *"point of emergence"*. They even call *Conflict* a governing principle that ultimately produces higher Harmony. This is eerily similar to the occult motto *"Ordo Ab Chao"* – order out of chaos. Bailey's disciple D.K. taught that **the destruction of old, outworn forms must precede the building of the new**. Thus, the Masters are not afraid to allow (or even precipitate) global crises if it means clearing the way for the New Age. In 1925, they *"approved"* the difficult path that led through World War II to achieve a reorientation of humanity. What might they approve in 2025? Some New Age intuitives suggest the Hierarchy could sanction another period of intense **upheaval between 2025 and 2030** – economic turmoil, natural disasters, political chaos – as a crucible to force humanity into greater unity and spiritual openness. Indeed, Bailey spoke of *"planned crises"* instigated by Shamballa force for the purpose of breaking barriers and implementing the Plan. We must ask soberly: *at the 2025 conclave, are plans being laid for trials that will "shake the world" into a new order*?

3. Three Strategic Objectives Since 1925: Interestingly, Bailey outlined *specific goals* that the Hierarchy set in the 1925 meeting which were to be achieved before the Externalization could occur. These remain instructive in 2025, because part of the conclave's agenda will be reviewing how far these objectives have been met. According to Djwhal Khul, the Hierarchy after 1925 directed disciples to accomplish three major tasks in preparation for the World Teacher's return:

- **"A measure of peace"** grounded in **educated goodwill and right human relations**. This meant fostering enough international cooperation and goodwill among nations that conflict could be managed. D.K. said nations must learn to mind their own affairs and live at peace internally and externally. Essentially, a foundation of **global peace and mutual understanding** is needed. How are we doing? On one hand, the latter 20th century saw the United Nations, unprecedented diplomatic frameworks, and a general aversion to world war. On the other, the 21st century still grapples with wars (e.g., regional conflicts in Ukraine, Middle East, etc.) and great-power tensions. The 2025 conclave will certainly weigh whether humanity has achieved this "measure of peace" or if we're sliding backward. The push for *"right human relations"* also ties to **human rights, equality, and international law** – values the UN and many NGOs champion (often inspired, perhaps not coincidentally, by Theosophists and world servers behind the scenes).

- **Economic sharing and equity:** The second goal was **"the Principle of Sharing"** in economics – a **redistribution of the earth's resources** to eliminate extreme poverty and material insecurity. Bailey's writings said that much of the world's problems are caused by economic imbalances and greed. The Hierarchy envisioned spiritually-minded financiers and economists (yes, apparently there are

disciples in banks and finance) who could *"regulate the world economic situation and bring about great and needed changes"*. The end aim is a form of **global economic justice**: *"adequate food, housing and security to the masses"* so that a *"constructive change in world psychology"* occurs, ushering in an era of peace and plenty. This essentially predicts a move toward a **one-world economic order** where resources are shared – an idea that resonates today in calls for sustainable development, wealth taxes, or even universal basic income on a global scale. Notably, to achieve this, Bailey said certain problems must be solved: *"greed, selfishness, political rivalries, and national ambitions"*. In 2025, the Masters will assess how far along we are. The wealth gap in 2025 is still enormous (the top 1% vs. the rest, as even the Spiritual Perspectives article lamented). Yet there are increasing global efforts to address inequality (UN Sustainable Development Goals, World Economic Forum initiatives, etc.). Some **economist elites today echo almost spiritual language** about "inclusive capitalism" and "shared destiny." Could these be the very "spiritually-minded financiers" Bailey alluded to? It's a striking possibility that behind certain global economic reforms is an occult influence aiming to fulfill this objective.

- **Religious unity and reorganization:** The third objective set in 1925 was to **"initiate reform and reorganization of the major religions"** – Christianity, Islam, Judaism, Buddhism, etc. – in order to **foster unity and prepare for the World Teacher's coming**. In Bailey's view, the existing religious institutions were separative, dogmatic, and obstructing spiritual progress. The Hierarchy intended to have disciples within each faith work toward *"a more unified preparation for the Christ and His teachings."* (Parker & Oliver, n.d.) This entails emphasizing the inner, mystical core common to all religions and diminishing sectarian differences. The goal is to eventually create a **"universal platform for a new world religion"** that will be under the inspiration of the (New Age) Christ. Over the last century, we indeed have seen growing trends of **interfaith dialogue**, ecumenical movements, and a search for common spiritual ground. Many Christians, Jews, Muslims, etc., now participate in inter-religious councils focusing on shared values. The Parliament of World Religions has been reconvened in modern times (since 1893 and in recent decades) to promote a global interfaith agenda. Even the Pope (especially in the current papacy) has engaged in unprecedented interfaith initiatives – for example, Pope Francis's 2019 *Abu Dhabi Document* on Human Fraternity, co-signed with a Grand Imam, which some see as laying groundwork for unity between Christianity and Islam. While orthodox believers see dangers in such compromise, Bailey's disciples rejoice that *"many within these religious groups now choose to emphasize unity and fellowship of Spirit"*. They believe this *"embracing of synthesis"* is exactly what the Hierarchy wanted – breaking down doctrinal barriers to pave the way for the *"New World Religion"* that will acknowledge the coming World Teacher. By 2025, the question for the Masters is: have the religions been sufficiently *"reoriented"* toward brotherhood, or do they remain obstacles? If the latter, more drastic measures may be considered

(perhaps further exposing religious scandals, fomenting crises within fundamentalist ranks, or using secular authorities to constrain exclusivist religion). If the former, the stage may be nearly set for the **World Teacher to unite them under one spiritual umbrella**.

In summary, the 2025 conclave will be something of a **progress report and strategic planning session** for these goals. The Masters will weigh human free will and responsiveness: *"What if Humanity has not responded well enough?"* they ask. Bailey insisted that while human free will can *delay* the Plan, it *cannot* ultimately stop it. The Hierarchy is determined to carry out "the Will of God," as they see it, regardless of resistance – though timing can vary. If needed, they might permit heavier trials to get us back on track. If cooperation is ample, they may accelerate blessings. Either way, adherents are urged to align their own wills with the Plan and assist the Hierarchy however possible. This reveals something crucial: **the occult world is not passive; it is actively working to influence humanity's choices**. In their view, *the end (a transformed world) justifies the means (even turmoil or deception, if necessary).*

Trends in Today's World: Setting the Stage for the 2025 Agenda

When we examine contemporary spiritual and geopolitical trends, they uncannily reflect the very objectives and terminology of Bailey's 100-year-old plan. It seems the world is moving – whether by coincidence or by unseen design – in a direction that aligns with the Hierarchy's envisioned new order. Consider the following developments:

- **Globalism and moves toward world governance:** In the political realm, there has been an unmistakable push toward **greater international integration**. The United Nations, founded in the wake of 1925's conclave (and explicitly named by Bailey as one outcome), remains at the center of global governance efforts. Supplementing it are groups like the **World Economic Forum (WEF)**, which convenes global elites to discuss managing world affairs, and proposals for empowering institutions to handle climate change, pandemics, and other global crises. The ideal of *"one world"* is increasingly accepted – if not a single global government, at least a network of supranational authorities and treaties that bind nations into a ***"rules-based international order."*** This directly echoes the Hierarchy's goal of *"right human relations"* among nations and *international interdependence*. Lucis Trust (the organization Alice Bailey founded, originally named Lucifer Publishing Company) is notably involved at the UN as an NGO, promoting meditation rooms and *"world goodwill."* (Wikipedia). Behind scenes, New Agers have long seen the UN as a proto-world government that they bless and energize through prayer and meditation (Nascimento, 2020**)**. Indeed, a *Lucis Trust* brochure once boldly declared, *"Evidence of the growth of human consciousness along the desired lines can be seen in the work of the United Nations"*. Today's **globalist agendas** – from the UN's Agenda 2030 for sustainable development to multilateral trade agreements and climate accords – all converge toward the idea of managing

Earth's resources and conflicts collectively. This aligns with the Plan's economic and peace objectives. Even calls for a **global currency or financial reset** (floated in some circles, especially with technology enabling digital currencies) resonate with the notion of *"regulating the world economic situation"* by a select enlightened group. We see international bodies contemplating how to redistribute wealth (for example, climate finance, pandemic relief funds, etc.), essentially early steps toward that *"Principle of Sharing."* Is all this purely human progress, or is the unseen Hierarchy subtly influencing policymakers? Given that Bailey explicitly spoke of disciples in the financial world working for these ends, some coincidences seem less than accidental.

- **Interfaith unity and the rise of a pseudo-universal spirituality:** Religiously, we are witnessing a remarkable trend of **convergence among faiths** – something scarcely imaginable centuries ago. The **ecumenical movement** within Christianity has healed some splits (Catholics and many Protestants now cooperate closely, Orthodox and Catholic dialogues continue, etc.). Beyond that, *interfaith* initiatives have multiplied: from local clergy associations that include rabbis, priests, imams, and monks, to high-profile events like Pope Francis's interreligious prayers for peace in Assisi and the establishment of the ***"Abrahamic Family House"*** in Abu Dhabi (a complex housing a church, mosque, and synagogue side by side). In 2022, religious leaders from many traditions gathered in Kazakhstan and signed an appeal for harmony and mutual respect. There's also a growing popular belief that "all religions are valid paths" and a blending of practices – e.g. Christian yoga, Buddhist mindfulness in Western secular settings, New Age self-help philosophies in church teachings. From Bailey's standpoint, this is a **desired softening of rigid doctrines**, an embrace of the unity behind all paths. Even certain evangelical churches, once staunchly exclusivist, have been influenced by New Age ideas (knowingly or not) like *"Christ consciousness"*, *contemplative prayer* drawn from eastern mysticism, or a social gospel that downplays salvation in Christ in favor of universal brotherhood. Meanwhile, overt **New Age spirituality** has permeated culture: millions read horoscopes, consult spirit mediums, practice yoga and meditation, or espouse ideas of ascended masters and angels guiding them (sometimes nearly identical to Bailey's teachings, though they may not know her name). The net effect is a **slow merging of spiritual outlooks** – exactly what one would expect if the Hierarchy were succeeding in **"preparing the world religion"** for the World Teacher. In fact, Benjamin Creme, a late 20th-century disciple of Bailey, openly proclaimed that various religious leaders were in contact with the ascended masters and being coordinated to welcome *Maitreya* (the supposed New Age Christ). He and other occult authors have boasted that *"many [New Agers] openly speak of their planned welcome for the Antichrist or 'New Age Christ.'"* (To them of course, this figure is benevolent, not the biblical Antichrist – a deception we will address shortly.) The bottom line: **Interfaith unity is at an all-time high**. This sets a ripe stage for a charismatic

world spiritual teacher to step in and find receptive audiences across religious lines. As prophecy students know, Revelation 13 and 17 foretell a future **unified false religion** ("Babylon the Great") that will work with the Antichrist – a scenario now plausible as never before.

- **Technocratic and scientific advancements aligning with occult aims:** The modern world's technological explosion might seem unrelated to spirituality, but interestingly, Bailey's disciples see it as part of the Plan. Remember, one effect attributed to past conclaves was the **growth of science and communications** to knit humanity together. Today, the Internet, social media, and AI have effectively made the world one neighborhood – a development an optimist could call the external form of humanity's growing inner unity. The **"global brain"** of the Internet is even likened by some futurists to a step toward collective consciousness. However, the Hierarchy will be keenly interested in **how technology is used**. Will it become a tool of enlightenment or of oppression? The **"technocratic agendas"** at play now include mass surveillance (through digital IDs, facial recognition, etc.), **centralized digital currencies** that could allow unprecedented economic control, and even **transhumanist** dreams of merging man and machine. A powerful elite – not necessarily spiritual in orientation – is indeed pushing these agendas, often justified by efficiency or safety. For example, introducing a cashless society controlled by AI could solve some economic crimes and enable equitable distribution (aligning with the *Principle of Sharing* rhetoric), but it could also enslave populations if used by tyrants. The Spiritual Perspectives article asks pointedly: *"Can Artificial Intelligence be directed into avenues truly beneficial to human development or become only a tool for selfish exploitation?"*. That question is likely on the Hierarchy's table. They undoubtedly see technology as a double-edged sword: in the right hands, it's a means to *"further humanity's sense of interrelationship"* (e.g. global social networks fostering community, AI solving scientific problems); in the wrong hands, it's a means for **global dictatorship**. From a Christian prophetical view, ironically, the Bible suggests the latter outcome – at least for a time. Revelation 13:16-17 foresees a system where no one can buy or sell without the Beast's mark, implying an economic control system that sounds unnervingly like a centralized digital currency or ID system. Technology to implement that is basically here. We must ask: *Is the Hierarchy paving the way for such a system?* They might see it as a temporary "tool" to enforce goodwill – a kind of paternalistic world governance ensuring everyone complies with the Plan. But the Bible warns that it will be hijacked by the ultimate tyrant, the Antichrist. It is sobering to realize that **the same developments New Agers hail as progress (world government, universal religion, global finance control) are the very conditions the Bible predicts for the final evil empire**.

In fact, some Christian researchers have directly linked Alice Bailey's plan to the prophesied **New World Order of the Antichrist**. They note that Bailey's timeline – anticipating the Hierarchy's open emergence and their "Christ" taking

charge in the early 21st century – corresponds to what many evangelical prophecy teachers in the 1970s–1990s were warning about: an imminent one-world government and religion under a false messiah. Constance Cumbey, an evangelical author who investigated the New Age movement, famously concluded that *"the New Age Christ"* Maitreya promoted by Bailey's followers **might be the Antichrist** foretold in Scripture. She documented how New Agers themselves were eagerly preparing the way for this figure, even if it meant the **destruction of traditional Christianity**. Indeed, one chilling quote from a New Age source that Cumbey publicized stated: *"We do not want a nuclear war, but if that is necessary to purify the world, we will not hesitate to bring one about."* Such extremist sentiment echoes the idea of a *"planned catastrophe"* to usher in the new age – basically an Armageddon orchestrated by occultists rather than by God. Whether or not one credits these threats, it underscores that **there are conscious human conspirators** in addition to any spiritual beings, working to implement the Plan at any cost. Bailey herself spoke of the need to *"seal the door where evil dwells"* – ironically framing orthodox religion and separatism as the "evil" to be eliminated. Christians, of course, would invert that: it is the Plan itself that is a form of deception, and the true evil is what the Hierarchy represents.

A Biblical Analysis: Discerning the Truth Behind the "Plan"

From a **biblical worldview**, how should we interpret these esoteric teachings and the anticipated 2025 assembly? The Bible gives us clear categories to understand what is happening: it speaks of **spiritual forces of darkness** and a coming global deception far in advance of modern occult prophecies. As Christians, we measure every claim by the truth of Scripture (Acts 17:11), and here Scripture is not silent.

First, the idea of **secret spiritual masters guiding world affairs** is not new. The apostle Paul told us bluntly: *"Our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this darkness, against evil spiritual forces in the heavens."* (Ephesians 6:12). In other words, there *are* non-flesh-and-blood intelligences influencing the course of this world – but the Bible identifies them as **demonic powers**, not benevolent *"ascended masters."* What Alice Bailey calls the Spiritual Hierarchy, the Bible might refer to as **principalities and powers** under Satan's domain (cf. Ephesians 2:2). These entities can indeed impart ideas to receptive human minds, coordinating trends and movements. However, their ultimate agenda is not the salvation of mankind but its enslavement and destruction. Scripture warns that in the end times, *"some will depart from the faith, paying attention to deceitful spirits and the teachings of demons"* (1 Timothy 4:1). Bailey's teachings, delivered by an alleged spirit guide, fit this description alarmingly well – they present a clever counterfeit of God's plan, a "teaching of demons" packaged as wisdom.

Consider how the Hierarchy's **Plan twists biblical truths**. They speak of a coming "Externalisation" – Christians speak of the coming of Jesus Christ to reign on Earth. They have a "Christ" who is not Jesus, claiming He will bring peace and enlightenment – the Bible warns of *"false messiahs and false prophets"* who will perform signs and wonders to deceive (Matthew 24:24). They push for one-world unity – the Bible foretells a **global empire under a blasphemous Beast** (Revelation 13:7-8). They seek a one-world religion – the Bible says the False Prophet will unite humanity in worship of the Beast (Revelation 13:12). They even talk of

"sealing the door where evil dwells" to inaugurate a new age – the Bible speaks of Satan being bound for a millennium when Christ returns (Revelation 20:1-3). The critical difference is **who gets exalted as savior and king.** In the occult Plan, humanity is its own savior, guided by hidden masters, and the coming *"Christ"* is essentially a glorified man (or fallen angel) advocating a form of self-divinity. In God's plan, **Jesus Christ – the Son of God who died for our sins – is the only Savior and rightful King** (1 Timothy 2:5). The Hierarchy's vision **denies the gospel**, denying that Christ's first coming and sacrifice is the central turning point of history. Instead it posits a "Christ" who comes not to deal with sin (they scarcely acknowledge sin) but to *"inaugurate the new era of synthesis and harmony"* through human effort and occult power. The Bible would label this a **deception**. *"Such people are false apostles, deceitful workers, disguising themselves as apostles of Christ. And no wonder! For Satan disguises himself as an angel of light."* (2 Corinthians 11:13-14). Is it hard to imagine that Satan – the arch-deceiver – could stage a false "Second Coming" by producing a dazzling world leader claiming to be the Christ? Not at all; in fact the Bible strongly suggests this will happen. The Antichrist will ***"take his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming that he himself is God"*** (2 Thessalonians 2:4). He will likely use all the religious syncretism and New Age philosophy at his disposal to appear to be the fulfillment of everyone's hopes. Bailey's Hierarchy is essentially grooming the world to *accept the Antichrist with open arms.*

It is sobering that Bailey said the 2025 conclave would likely set the date for the Hierarchy's externalization. If her prediction is accurate (and so far many aspects are eerily matching reality), it means **the forces of darkness plan to step up their visible activity in the very near future**. We might see, in the next decade, an explosion of paranormal phenomena: apparitions, miracles, channeling, perhaps even staged *"alien encounters"* – anything that could convince the masses of the presence of higher beings guiding us. The Bible forewarns that the False Prophet will perform **great signs, even making fire come down from heaven** to wow humanity, and by these signs he will deceive the world (Revelation 13:13-14). This sounds like technology or supernatural power will be used to validate the new global leader's claims. Interestingly, Bailey's crew expects *"revelatory"* techniques and results from 2025 onwards – perhaps spectacular new psychic abilities or scientific revelations. But Christians must not be seduced. We are told *"Test the spirits to see if they are from God"* (1 John 4:1), and any spirit that does not confess Jesus Christ as Lord come in the flesh is not from God (1 John 4:2-3). The Hierarchy pointedly does not exalt the true Jesus – in fact, Bailey's teachings reinterpret or reject virtually every core doctrine of Christianity (they deny Jesus' unique deity, the atonement, the resurrection, and replace them with occult ideas). **This is the spirit of antichrist** (1 John 4:3).

Even the expected **date of the conclave – May 12, 2025** – has provocative timing. It corresponds to the Jewish feast of **Second Passover (Pesach Sheni)** in that year. Bailey's followers esoterically link Passover with *"liberation from limiting beliefs"* and see the Wesak full moon as a high moment of spiritual energy. In 2025, that full moon also coincides with a **total lunar eclipse (a "blood moon")** in March and the Easter/Passover season. Some even tie it to the biblical timeline of Daniel's *"seventy sevens"* or see convergence with Pope Francis's seven-year Laudato Si climate action timeline (which interestingly hits a midpoint in 2025). Could all this be coincidence, or is the stage being divinely and demonically set for a dramatic period? Jesus told us there will be *"signs in the sun, moon, and stars"* heralding the

end (Luke 21:25). We don't base doctrine on blood moons or date calculations, but we do note the **convergence**: global unity talk, technological capability for the mark of the beast, Israel back in their land (a key end-time sign), and now even the occult world abuzz about *their own* imminent *"day of decision"* in 2025. It truly seems the pieces are moving into place for the final act of God's redemptive history – and the final rebellion of darkness.

So what does this mean for us as believers? **Vigilance and discernment.** We must not be ignorant of Satan's schemes (2 Corinthians 2:11). The devil has a *plan* indeed – a counterfeit kingdom – but praise God, we know the end of the story. The Bible says that the Antichrist will have authority only for a short time (42 months in Revelation 13:5) and will be destroyed by the true Second Coming of Jesus Christ: *"The Lord Jesus will destroy him with the breath of His mouth and will bring him to nothing at the appearance of His coming"* (2 Thessalonians 2:8). No matter what grand claims the 2025 assembly makes (through New Age channels or eventually through a world leader), we affirm **Jesus is Lord** and His kingdom alone shall endure.

That said, we may well face increasing deception and pressure in the meantime. The Bible warns of a coming ***"strong delusion"*** for those who refuse the love of the truth (2 Thessalonians 2:9-12). It's chilling to realize that the beautiful rhetoric of unity, peace, and love from the New Age is exactly the sort of thing that could persuade a Christ-rejecting world to believe the Lie. When miracles start happening or global crises make people desperate for order, the world will grasp at the promise of the Hierarchy's Plan like drowning men clutching a serpent. As Christians, we need to be firmly rooted in God's Word so we **recognize false prophets** even if they dazzle with humanitarian language or supernatural feats. The apostle John saw a vision of this in Revelation: an Antichrist with ***"two horns like a lamb"*** (appearing gentle, Christ-like) but **speaking like a dragon** (the devil) and deceiving the earth by signs (Revelation 13:11-14). We might paraphrase: *he had the rhetoric of love and light, but the lies of Satan.* Many will be fooled.

Yet, there's encouragement: **God is in ultimate control.** While the Hierarchy plots in 2025 to *"end human history"* on their terms, the Lord in heaven laughs, for He has set His King (Jesus) on Zion (Psalm 2:2-6). We know from prophecy that much of what the Hierarchy intends will actually be used by God to fulfill His purposes. For instance, they aim to unify the world under a false Christ – and God will allow a unified world government for a short time, only to demonstrate His power when He destroys it utterly at Christ's return (Revelation 19:19-20). They talk of a ***"dark night"*** of chaos to birth a new era – the Bible speaks of a coming Tribulation, a period of unparalleled trouble (Matthew 24:21) that will precede the true Kingdom. In fact, their very gathering in 2025, if it occurs, could itself be a sign that we are entering the final countdown. **Could May 2025 mark the start of the last push toward the Antichrist's reign?** Some speculate that the events in 2025–2030 might correspond to the opening of prophetic seals or the acceleration toward a seven-year tribulation period. We cannot set dates dogmatically, but we *can* observe the times (Matthew 16:2-3). Jesus instructed us: *"Now when these things begin to happen, stand up and lift your heads, because your redemption is near."* (Luke 21:28). Indeed, as we see the architects of the occult world openly preparing for their *"externalization"* – essentially Satan marshalling his troops – we know the **Rapture of the Church must be even nearer**. Before the Antichrist is revealed, **the restrainer (Holy Spirit in the Church) will be taken out of the way** (2 Thess. 2:7). The Church's sudden removal to meet the Lord (1 Thess. 4:16-17) will

itself throw a wrench in the Hierarchy's plans, even as it opens the final chapter for those left behind.

Therefore, rather than fear, let this knowledge produce **urgency and hope** in us. Urgency to **reach souls with the gospel** – many involved in New Age or globalist pursuits are sincere people searching for answers, and we can lovingly point them to the true Light of the world, Jesus Christ, who forgives sin and offers eternal life (John 8:12, 3:16). And hope, because every scheme of the enemy will fail and be turned to glorify God in the end. The very fact that we are privy to such inside information on the enemy's playbook is a gift; *"we are not in darkness, brothers and sisters, for that day to surprise you like a thief"* (1 Thess. 5:4). God has told us beforehand so we can be **prepared, prayerful, and at peace** knowing He's got this under control.

In conclusion, the anticipated 2025 Great General Assembly of the Hierarchy stands as a stark sign of the times. It highlights the reality of an ancient spiritual war coming to its climax. On one side, hidden occult powers promise humanity a man-made utopia – but only by rejecting biblical truth and embracing a cosmic leader opposed to Christ. On the other side, the God of the Bible warns that this very scenario will trigger His judgment, even as He extends the last call of mercy through the gospel. As world events accelerate towards what both occultists and Christians alike recognize as a climax, *which voice will we heed?* Joshua's challenge rings true: *"choose today whom you will serve"* (Joshua 24:15).

Let us **expose the works of darkness** (Ephesians 5:11) by bringing these secret plans into the light of God's Word. We do not do so to fascinate or scare, but to **equip and encourage**. The early church faced gnostics with "secret teachings" and emphatically pointed believers back to the public, historic revelation of Jesus Christ (2 Peter 1:16-19). We must do the same. No matter how sophisticated or benevolent-sounding the Hierarchy's plan, if it contradicts the gospel of Christ, it is to be rejected. Paul warned even if an "angel of light" preached another gospel, *"let him be accursed"* (Galatians 1:8). The Hierarchy qualifies as just that – angels (messengers) of light in appearance, preaching another way. We stand on the unchanging gospel that **Jesus died and rose to save sinners** – the one truth that shatters all the glamour of occult wisdom with the simple message of the cross (1 Cor. 1:18-25).

Finally, we encourage one another with the promise of Christ's coming for His Church. The next big event on God's calendar is not a secret masters' conclave – it is the **rapturous gathering of the saints to Jesus**! *"For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout... and the dead in Christ will rise... then we who are alive and remain will be caught up... to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words."* (1 Thess. 4:16-18). This is our blessed hope (Titus 2:13) – not the dawn of Aquarius or a man-made Age of peace, but the **literal appearance of our Great God and Savior Jesus Christ** to receive us and later to reign.

So, as we witness talk of *"Hierarchy assemblies"* and grand plans for 2025, we do not lose heart. Instead, we *"lift up our heads"*, knowing our redemption draws near. We armor ourselves with faith, love, and the hope of salvation (1 Thess. 5:8). We pray for those deceived by the occult, that the Holy Spirit would open their eyes to the superior truth of Jesus. And we remain watchful, like the wise virgins with lamps ready (Matthew 25:1-13), so that when the **true Bridegroom** comes, we may go in with Him to the wedding feast. The night is

advancing, but praise God, **the Morning Star** will soon pierce the darkness.

> "See, I am coming soon… I am the root and descendant of David, the bright morning star." – Jesus Christ (Revelation 22:12,16, CSB)

Let no counterfeit "light" mislead us; we follow the Morning Star, and our eternal future is secure in Him. **Even so, come, Lord Jesus**

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